



Welcome to the Palmetto Middle School PTSA Link

Thank you for staying connected and for your continued support of our PTSA.

Important Dates at Palmetto Middle School

November 7-10 Book Fair at the Media Center
November 10 Yogurtland Takeover Night
November 16 Orchestra Holiday Concert

OUR PTSA SCHOOL STORE IS READY FOR BUSINESS!

You may purchase supplies most days of the school year. Volunteers are needed to provide this service, helping students purchase last minute school items. All it takes is 20 minutes to run the store from 8:30am until 8:50am. Please contact Ceil Fitts at 786 ..., or fittsc@bellsouth.net

LANCER BUCKS

The school store is the place to redeem your Lancer bucks . Come by and see what your bucks can " buy".

PALMETTO MIDDLE SCHOOL REACHES NEW HEIGHTS

During a luncheon on Wednesday, November 2nd, Principal John Lux was named one of the top ten principals in Miami-Dade County's Public School System. In addition, Intensive Reading Teacher Ms. Fritz and Language Arts Teacher Mrs. Figueiras were also recognized as being two of the top 100 teachers in Miami-Dade County's Public Schools. The recognition was given by the Race to the Top program. For further information on Race to the Top visit: www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/fact-sheet-race-top

INFORMATION FOR NEW FAMILIES, STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

New Families, students and teachers, you'll find information about our school by visiting our site at pms.dadeschools.net. Also, please become a fan of our facebook, Palmetto Middle School PTSA. You'll be able to find school news, event information and photos. Our facebook is also a great venue to share good news about your child or student. Question or comments, contact Carmen Lucas at Carmen@thinkfactory.com

CROSSFIT CHALLENGE 2011 WINNERS:

Thank you Coach Horgan, Coach Salas, Ms. Vasquez and Palmetto Senior student Daniel Hasty for taking a group of Palmetto Middle School students on a fitness challenge. Exercises included sit-ups, 1/4 mile runs, and the aerobics exercise known as burpees. On Thursday, November 4th, the winners were announced. Third place: David Junco and Edgar Martinez Second place: Julian Shapiro and Chad Gimun First place: Simon Lucas and Nick Sicuso Congratulations to all the participants!

COMING UP, OUR CURRICULUM FAIR:

We are in the planning stages of our fair, with a tentative date in November or early December. Please help us get the word out to parents of 5th grade students entering middle school next year. Feeder schools include Pinecrest Elementary, Palmetto Elementary, Ludlam Elementary, Howard Drive, and Beth Am. Palmetto Middle School...So much to offer!

MAYOR LERNER'S SMART BOARD CAMPAIGN

In an effort to raise funds for a Smart Board in every classroom in every Pinecrest public school, SmARTy Dogs for Smart Schools has been created. Larger than life fiberglass pups will be decorated by local artists and students. Each pup will be prominently displayed throughout Pinecrest. We need local businesses, individuals and families to sponsor a SmARTy dog and help raise funds for this effort. Perhaps a group of parents would consider making a donation on behalf of their child and help bring a Smart Board to Palmetto Middle School. For further information contact: heather@princemediadevelopment.com or 305.392.1999.

DOMINOS'S PIZZA CARD FUNDRAISER:

Our Lancer Music Program students are selling the cards for \$10. When you buy a large pizza, you'll receive another large pizza FREE! If you buy 10 large pizzas, you'll receive 10 large pizzas FREE! Great for parties. The cards expire in June, 2012. Please contact your favorite Lancer musician and purchase a card...for yourself, for gifts, for a great cause.

MEMBERSHIP

Become a member of the Palmetto Middle School PTSA. The P T S A is a parent, teacher, student association that provides information to parents of important happenings at school and the community in addition to providing services, equipment, supplies and improvements that benefit all students in the school throughout the year. The PTSA is a great way for parents, faculty and staff who are not able to devote time to volunteering to be involved. The cost is only \$10 per parent, \$7 per teacher/staff and \$5 per student. We encourage all adult family members, students, teachers and staff to join. Please show your support for your school by joining the PTSA. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers on November 9th for the Palmetto Panther Walk. Please contact Dina Lara at 305-790-8924 , or dina_rob@bellsouth.net if you can help. Please make sure you have registered to be a volunteer and been approved by our counselor at Palmetto Middle School.

BAND, ORCHESTRA AND CHORUS PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Performances start at 7:00pm in the PMS auditorium.

Tickets are \$5 at the door.

11/16/11 Orchestra Holiday Concert

12/14/11 Band and Chorus Holiday Concert

3/7/12 POP Show (participants selected by audition only)

3/30/12-3/31/12 Orlando Music Competition
5/2/12 Orchestra End of the Year Concert
5/30/12 Band and Chorus End of the Year Concert

YOGURTLAND TAKEOVER NIGHT

Save the date and don't be late !!! Palmetto Lancers will be taking over Yogurtland (9455 S. Dixie Highway) on November 10 , 2011 -from 6 to 9 pm. Come spend some time with your friends. See you there !!!

PTSA DEAL OPPORTUNITY

Thanks to a generous parent donation, Palmetto Middle School PTSA members, their friends, families, and any people or business owners affiliated with the school have another coupon opportunity to check out! Daily Referral is a nationwide company offering special offers and exclusive deals. Interested PTSA members can go to the following site and log in: www.dailyreferral.com/155881 (select USA, individual account, and set up your own password). For more information please contact Kobi Bender at 305-322-3451 or [krebender@bellsouth.net](mailto:krbender@bellsouth.net).

LET'S HEAR IT FOR OUR REGIONAL TITLE WINNERS:

Congratulations to our Girls' Varsity Soccer Team! The newly minted District Champs competed for the Regional Title on Wednesday November 2nd and are now number 1! Congratulations Coach Morales and an amazing team of soccer players!

BOOK FAIR IS COMING

Don't forget our Scholastic Book Fair begins November 7th and continues through the 10th in the Media Center. The Book Fair is open from 8:30 - 4:00 each day, and students will also be visiting during Language Arts classes. Remember to send your children with money so they can purchase their favorite books. Not only does the Book Fair help us raise funds for classroom and library resources, it also encourages reading among students.

THANK YOU TO LANCER BAND VOLUNTEERS!

Mrs. De Jesus, Mrs. De Soto and the Band Booster would like to thank the students and parent volunteers for making this year's cheesecake sale and delivery a big success. The profits from this fundraiser will be used to refurbish instruments and purchase new ones. Thank you, all!

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

National Junior Honor Society members are invited to participate in the Boston Class Trip from February 2-4, 2012. The trip includes a visit to Quincy Market, USS Constitution, Bunker Hill, Performance of the Blue Man Group, Salem Witch Museum, House of the Seven Gables, Duck Tour of Boston, "Shear Madness" performance, walking tour of Harvard University. Total cost is \$1176.00. All food, lodging, flights and entrance fees are included. Members interested should contact Mrs. Elizabeth Sioli at esioli@dadeschools.net.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME:

Please set your clocks back one hour, if you have not done so already.(Spring forward, fall back.) Students will feel as if they enjoyed an extra hour of sleep!

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